

TRADE IS GOOD

Volume for Past Fortnight is a Record Breaker.

ARE EVIDENCES OF COMPETITION

New Blood at Work—Money Market.
Real Estate Activity Pronounced—Firms Building.

COMMERCIAL.

The volume of general trade continues good, even better than was expected, though expectations were by no means low.

Business in the hardware, dry goods and grocery lines is reported as exceeding that of any period during the past six months.

There is however this to be said, that profits do not keep pace with the volume. Competition is being felt and prices have been regulated to correspond.

In some lines a combination is favorably considered and in hardware line steps have already been taken in this direction.

We are sorry to note one failure and another in sight.

Feed stuffs remain very firm. Take it as a whole the situation is encouraging and the condition healthy.

Rice shows no change in price. In the local market 5c. is asked.

Money seems scarce from rate of interest paid on small loans.

Stock market remains firm.

PARTNERSHIPS IN DECEMBER.

Wo Fat and Neo Chong.....Honolulu
Yee Sing Tie Co.....Honolulu
Barney and Hankey.....Honolulu
Honolulu Drug Co.....Honolulu
Knudsen Bros.....Kauai
Walmea Soda and Ice Works.....

REAL ESTATE.

The Real Estate market was never better.

Buyers are many. New tracts of land recently opened up are finding ready purchasers. Desirable residence property is in fair demand at good prices.

There seems less activity in leased lands since our last report.

Furnished and unfurnished houses continue in good demand.

The mortgage indebtedness on Real Estate has increased \$43,097.99 during past two weeks.

Recorded instruments have been as follows:

	No.	Amount.
Deeds	103	\$125,404 00
Mortgages	39	65,708 99
Leases	25	
Releases	21	22,611 00
Chattel Mortgages	3	5,525 93
Bills of Sale	7	6,296 00
Assignment Mortgages	4	27,806 00
Power of Attorney	5	
Mortgages at 6 per cent.....		7,520 00
" " 6 1/2 "		4,000 00
" " 7 "		5,850 00
" " 7 1/2 "		3,000 00
" " 8 "		13,050 00
" " 9 "		2,700 00
" " 10 "		8,200 00
" " 12 "		2,289 61
No. per cent. recorded.....		19,099 38
		\$65,708 99

BUILDING PERMITS.

Len Tow, 2 story store.....\$ 600 00
Northeast corner Queen and Cook street.

Wong Leong Loo Co, 2 story store..... 600 00
Makai corner Hotel and River street.

Francisco Teixeira, 3-1 story cottages..... 1400 00
Kalia next Cycloere Park.

Gan Chong, 2-2 story cottages. 1000 00
Ewa side of Achi lane Beretania street.

H. Kihara, 1 story cottage.... 450 00
Waikiki side River street cor. Kukui and Beretania street.

P. L. Weaver, 2 story building 700 00
Cor. Chamberlain and South street.

CORPORATIONS.

C. M. Cooke, Ltd.
Honolulu, H. I., Jan. 16, 1899.

(All of the above is from the semi-monthly circular of the Hawaiian Mercantile Agency of which G. H. Berry is manager.)

\$2 FOR A BLOSSOM.

Holiday Prices for Flowers in New York City.

Flowers must have reached their highest price yesterday, says the N. Y. Sun of Jan. 2, and during the week before Christmas. American Beauty roses of no unusual size or quality sold for \$2 each. Violets sold for \$4 and \$5 a hundred. Azaleas were \$15 apiece and not unusually fine at that. They varied, of course, in price, according to size, but it cost that much to get a good one. Small and ordinary orchids sold for 25 cents a blossom when there were about a dozen blossoms on one branch. They ranged from \$1 to \$3 for handsome specimens. These figures were demanded by the florists for Christmas Day, and they were sold with little protest. All day the florists' wagons passed through the streets delivering blossoms that were almost, if not quite, worth their weight in gold. One fair indication of the price of flowers may always be had from the sum demanded for American Beauties. When they are high, flowers are high in every kind. It may be that, an occasional scarcity of one particular blossom will send the price up. But for ordinary circumstances the price of the American Beauty is usually typical. That was at \$2 for Christmas Day for ordinary specimens while better grades reached as high a figure as \$2.50. But the violet was again the favorite. Year in and year out, during the autumn season of the chrysanthemum's popularity and at all times, it is the violet that continues most popular in New York.

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A MISSION CHILD

Death of Mrs. S. A. Thurston Born on Maui.

Led an Active Life—Engaged in Educational Work Surviving Members of Family

There occurred at an early hour yesterday morning the death of Mrs. Sarah Andrews Thurston, who had been seriously ill for about a month, having sustained a stroke of paralysis. Mrs. Thurston had been during her illness at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Helen G. Alexander. This place is one of the old homesteads in Nuuanu valley and from it the funeral was held at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

Sarah Andrews Thurston was born at Lahaina, Maui, October 19, 1832. She was married October 23, 1852, at Honolulu, to Asa Goodale Thurston, son of Asa and Lucy Goodale Thurston, who were of the pioneer band of missionaries, arriving in the Islands in 1820. The parents of Sarah Andrews Thurston were Rev. Lorrin and Mary Wilson Andrews, who came to Hawaii as missionaries in 1828. Asa Goodale Thurston died December 17, 1859. There were three children: Robert Taylor Thurston, who died in 1874, Lorrin A. Thurston and Mrs. Helen G. Alexander.

Sarah Andrews Thurston was educated at the Royal School under Mr. Fuller and at Punahou, when Dr. Edward Beckwith was principal. After the death of her husband she taught at the Royal School. In 1868 she and her brother founded the Government boarding industrial school for boys at Makawao, Maui. She remained the matron and a teacher there until 1878. Since that year she has made her home with her children on Maui and in Honolulu. She leaves surviving her three brothers and one sister: Robert, Samuel and William Andrews and Mrs. Mary Ellen Mott.

At the funeral yesterday afternoon a beautiful service was conducted by Rev. W. M. Kincaid. There were a large number of friends in attendance and many flowers were sent. The pall bearers were Rev. S. E. Bishop, Rev. O. H. Gulick, Chief Justice Judd, Professor W. D. Alexander, W. N. Armstrong, W. W. Hall, C. M. Cooke and Attorney General Smith. Two hymns were rendered by a choir composed of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Hall, Mrs. E. C. Damon, Mrs. A. F. Judd and J. Q. Wood.

Mrs. Thurston was regarded by all as an exalted type of a Christian woman and had the most devoted friends everywhere in the group. She was a faithful friend and wise counselor of the native Hawaiians, always taking a special interest in them.

CONGRESSMAN DINGLEY.

Physicians Say There is Little Hope of Recovery.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—The condition of Representative Nelson Dingley, of Maine, who has been ill with pneumonia for almost a week, has undergone a marked change for the worse and tonight his physicians hold out little if any hope of recovery.

Much of the day the patient was delirious, and appeared to be uttering extracts from speeches he had made on the tariff question in the House of Representatives. He was conscious only when aroused. The physicians say there must be a radical change one way or the other very soon.

ANOTHER THORN.

MADRID, Jan. 2.—Official circles here are warmly discussing the attitude of Great Britain owing to her pressing demand that Spain sell her a coaling station in the Balearic Islands and other strategic points, so as to render Gibraltar unassailable. The negotiations on the subject have been in abeyance owing to Premier Sagasta's illness, but it is believed that Spain, influenced by Russia and France, will resist the demand of Great Britain.

Mr. Elisha Berry, of this place, says he never had anything do him so much good and give such quick relief from rheumatism as Chamberlain's Pain Balm. He was bothered greatly with shooting pains from hip to knee until he used this liniment, which affords prompt relief.—B. F. Baker, druggist, St. Paris, Ohio. For sale by all druggists and dealers. Benson, Smith & Co., Ltd., agents for H. I.

WITH THE Y.M.C.A.

Interesting Quarterly Meeting Well Attended.

VARIOUS REPORTS ARE MADE

Growth of the Institution Marked.
An Earnest Address in Behalf of Church—Music.

The quarterly meeting of the Y. M. C. A. held last evening was fairly well attended. The meeting was called to order by Walter C. Weedon, president of the association. A number of reports were read and submitted by the chairmen of committees. After a gospel song followed by a prayer from the president, the secretary's minutes were read, showing a good increase in membership. Thanks were extended to those who assisted in the New Year festivities.

The report of the Devotional Committee showed that the Y. M. C. A. has been reaching out in its religious work. Mr. Brock, director of the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium, read the report from the Physical Committee. Three basketball teams are being organized, and an endeavor will be made to have contests with teams from the colleges of the city.

Secretary Coleman read the report of the Educational Committee. There was a total enrollment of 163 students during the first term of this year's school. The second term began with 119 students and the classes are constantly increasing in membership. There will be four or five lectures during this term.

After the reading of the reports a song was given by Prof. Jacobs, the blind vocalist.

The Rev. Mr. Gardner was introduced to the audience as the speaker of the evening. Rev. Mr. Gardner took for his subject, "Christianity: A Business Venture." The speaker has a pleasing address and a strong sense of humor which soon awakened every one and prepared them for listening. Rev. Mr. Gardner contradicted the popular doctrine that business and religion should be separated.

"Christianity is business, but business is not always Christianity," he said. "Christianity is not only a business venture, but it is the greatest business venture," he claimed. Christ, he styled the head of the business, and all who are Christians, members of the concern. The preacher then uttered a magnificent eulogy of Christ, the head, powerful in thought, pleasing in action. Mr. Gardner turned his attention to the members of the business. He spoke of death as the door through which these members pass to promotion. Luther, Knox, Wesley, Lincoln, Gladstone are promoted members. The President of the Great Republic, Wm. McKinley, the Empress of the British possessions, Queen Victoria, are members of the firm and the speaker expressed himself as proud beyond measure to have an interest in a concern which includes in its members the greatest men and women the world has produced.

"We are laborers together with God," he said. Man has built the ship and placed it on the water and God has given the wind which fills the sails and carries us from continent to island and from island back to continent. But the greatest part of this business of which Christ is the head is the training of men—mentally, physically and spiritually. The Y. M. C. A. is doing this work, and it is doing it in a business way, for it is a business enterprise. Rev. Mr. Gardner expressed a strong hope that the day will come when the churches will be open as many days and hours in the week as are saloons; when the churches will establish gymnasiums and schools that the mental and physical part of man may be developed as well as the spiritual.

The speaker claimed that if the ratio of the last eighty years were maintained in one more century the whole world will be members of this business enterprise. "It will go on and on," he said, "until it has accomplished the end which the Head determined it should." Rev. Mr. Gardner closed with the invitation to all to become members of the great firm, Christianity.

Following the address, Mr. Eames gave a mandolin solo with piano accompaniment. The selection was well chosen and rendered in a manner pleasing to all as the long applause which followed proved. Mr. Eames gave an encore lively in the extreme which met with hearty approval. Mrs. Herbert Ewing played accompaniments to both numbers with the intuitive expression of a true musician.

Mr. Coleman spoke for a few minutes about the magazine "Man," a Y. M. C. A. publication for which he is soliciting subscriptions, after which there was a social and refreshments.

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LOCAL BREVITIES.

SUGAR, 4 5-16.

Anniversary of the overthrow, 1893. Hutchinson plantation, \$34 bid and asked.

Hana plantation, \$18.87 1/2 bid; \$19 asked.

Hawaiian Commercial, \$57.87 1/2 bid; \$58.25 asked.

The Australia is due from San Francisco tomorrow.

Hilo is to have a street fight by the end of the month.

C. L. Clemens' Cineograph combination is showing at Hilo.

This date 1779 Capt. Cook anchored in Kealahou bay, Hawaii. Haniwai, Waikiki, has been fitted up as a first class family resort.

About a score of convalescent soldiers left for the Mainland by the Rio. A dozen or so kamaiians and a number of tourists are expected here by the Australia.

This is a legal holiday. Government offices will be closed and courts will suspend.

The Hawaii Racing Association has been organized at Hilo and will be incorporated.

Minister Cooper leaves today for Maui on business for the Department of Education.

W. J. Coon, late of Honolulu, is in the employ of the State of California at Sacramento.

The remains of the late H. H. Wilcox will be brought from Kauai to this city for interment.

Helme boilers and acetylene gas are among the modern improvements at the shops of the Oahu Railway.

Thos. Cook & Son advertise now in America and Europe excursions to Hawaii, Japan and the Philippines.

Miss Mary Alexander, the popular and capable kindergarten, will soon leave for an extended tour abroad.

Chas. Achi has made a substantial contribution to Kaunakapili church. He is having the spires painted anew.

Nance O'Neill was called upon by the Examiner for a New Year greeting and sent this word to Hawaii: "Aloha nui loa."

Mrs. Todd, lately of Molokai and Japan is to sue the city of San Francisco, claiming to have contracted leprosy in the pest house there.

The opium schooner Labrador was sold at auction Saturday under the court confiscation order. Jules Dudit was the purchaser for \$1,025.

"Rev. Billy" Hammond, notorious here, has turned up in Cuba, where he is making lots of money for himself and misery for church people.

The Olua coffee planters have decided to plant cane in their land now unused. For this purpose they have purchased 2,000 bags of seed cane.

Dr. (Miss) Kellogg-Lane, after an enjoyable sojourn in Honolulu, has returned to the States.

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Steamers of the above companies will call at Honolulu and leave this port on or about the dates below mentioned.

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NIPPON MARU	FEB. 1
RIO DE JANEIRO	FEB. 9
COPTIC	FEB. 18
AMERICA MARU	JAN. 27
CITY OF PEKING	FEB. 11

RATES OF PASSAGE ARE AS FOLLOWS:

SINGLE TRIP.	ROUND TRIP.
For San Francisco—Cabin	For San Francisco—Cabin, 4 mo's.....\$125
European Steerage	For Yokohama—Cabin, 4 mo's..... 225
For Yokohama—Cabin	Cabin, 12 mo's..... 262.50
European Steerage	For Hongkong—Cabin, 4 mo's..... 262.50
For Hongkong—Cabin	Cabin, 12 mo's..... 262.50
European Steerage	

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—1898—

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Will leave Honolulu every Tuesday at 8 o'clock a. m., touching at Lahaina, Maunaloa Bay, Makaha, Mahukona, Kawaihae and Laupahoehoe the following day, arriving in Hilo Wednesday.

LEAVE HONOLULU.

Tuesday.....Sept. 13	Tuesday.....Nov. 1
Tuesday.....Sept. 20	Tuesday.....Nov. 8
Tuesday.....Sept. 27	Tuesday.....Nov. 15
Tuesday.....Oct. 4	Tuesday.....Nov. 22
Tuesday.....Oct. 11	Tuesday.....Nov. 29
Tuesday.....Oct. 18	Tuesday.....Dec. 6
Tuesday.....Oct. 25	Tuesday.....Dec. 13
Tuesday.....Nov. 1	Tuesday.....Dec. 20

Returning, will leave Hilo at 8 o'clock a. m., touching at Laupahoehoe, Mahukona, Kawaihae, Makaha, Maunaloa Bay and Lahaina the following day, arriving at Honolulu Sunday morning.

ARRIVE HONOLULU.

Sunday.....Sept. 13	Sunday.....Nov. 13
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Sunday.....Oct. 11	Sunday.....Dec. 11
Sunday.....Oct. 18	Sunday.....Dec. 18
Sunday.....Oct. 25	Sunday.....Dec. 25
Sunday.....Nov. 1	Sunday.....Dec. 31

Will call at Pohoiki, Puna, on the second trip of each month, arriving there on the morning of the day of sailing from Hilo to Honolulu.

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Live stock received only at owner's risk.

This company will not be responsible for money or valuables of passengers unless placed in the care of purser. Packages containing personal effects, whether shipped as baggage or freight, if the contents thereof exceed \$100 in value, must have the value thereof plainly stated and marked, and the Company will not hold itself liable for any loss or damage in excess of this sum except the goods be shipped under special contract. All employees of the Company are forbidden to receive freight without delivering a shipping receipt therefor in the form prescribed by the Company and which may be seen by shippers upon application to the purser of the Company's steamers.

Shippers are notified that if freight is shipped without such receipt, it will be solely at the risk of the shipper. Passengers are requested to purchase tickets before embarking. Those failing to do so will be subject to an additional charge of 25 per cent.

C. L. WIGHT, President.
S. B. ROSE, Secretary.
CAPT. J. A. KING, Port Superintendent.